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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Christina D. Gettman.

(3) _____.

(2) John Hopgood.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 23 January 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: N/A.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 38.Identification of prior art discussed: Horzewski, Leschinsky, Querns.Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

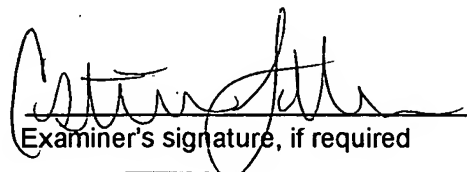
(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner and Mr. Hopgood discussed the limitations set forth in claims 1 and 38. Applicants are trying to focus on the aspect that the inner layer does not overlap. Leschinsky teaches a layer that is discontinuous and allows for expansion. However, it is believed that the layer may overlap once placed in the device of Horzewski. On the other hand, Horzewski teaches an inner layer that does overlap. Mr. Hopgood made the suggestion to add in a functional limitation to overcome Leschinsky. Examiner noted that adding in structural language would give more patentable weight to the claim. Claim 38 focuses on two materials alternating in a single circumference. Examiner noted that the claim limitations would need to recite that the two materials are not just touching in a circumferential direction as is shown in Horzewski. With reference to claim 38, Examiner noted that the claim language would also have to read over Querns et al. and Kousai et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,883,468) Fig. 16. It is noted that a further search and further consideration would need to take place with any amendments added to the claims.